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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN DEMARCHE TO SOVIETS ON TFAI

1. IN QUADRIpartite MEETING FEB 17 FRENCH AMBASSADOR VIMONT REPORTED ON RECENT CONVERSATION WITH ETHIOPIAN AMBASSADOR ASRAT ON TFAI. ASRAT SAID HE HAD TAKEN NOTE TO SOVIET MFA DURING WEEK OF FEB 9-13 SETTING FORTH ETHIOPIAN POSITION ON TFAI DISPUTE AND EXPRESSING THE HOPE THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT WOULD ADVISE SOMALIA TO BE MODERATE IN ITS APPROACH AND WOULD NOT PERMIT SOVIET ARMS TO BE USED FOR AGGRESSIVE PURPOSES. ACCORDING TO ASRAT, SOVIETS HAD NOT REACTED SUBSTANTIVELY.

2. ASRAT COMMENTED TO VIMONT THAT ETHIOPIA HAD NO AIMS AGAINST TFAI AND BELIEVED IT SHOULD BE INDEPENDENT, BUT THAT THE SOMALIS OBVIOUSLY HAD DIFFERENT VIEWS
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